

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
)	Examiner: Moss, Keri A.
Dr. Walter Schubert)	
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Serial No.: 10/686,865)	Confirmation No. 7435
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Filed: October 16, 2003)	Art Unit: 1743
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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR)	Attorney Docket No.: S159 1030.1
PREPARING BIOLOGICAL)	
SAMPLES FOR ANALYSIS)	

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir/Madam:

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed February 20, 2008, Applicant submits the following amendment and remarks. This reply is being filed along with Applicant's Request for Continued Examination.

A Petition for Three-month Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(3) is submitted herewith, to extend the time for reply through August 20, 2008. Fee for RCE also is submitted herewith.

No additional fees are believed to be due. Nonetheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 09-0528.

Amendment to the Claims is reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

Conclusion is on page 8 of this paper.